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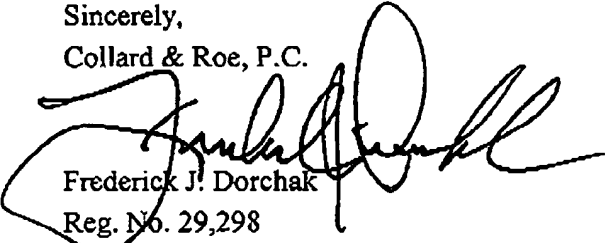
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SERIAL NO.: 10/540,722 EXAMINER: Amy B. VANATTA  
FILED: JUNE 24, 2005 GROUP: 3765  
TITLE: METHOD FOR COMPRESSIVE SHRINKING AND RUBBER  
BLANKET SHRINKING SYSTEM

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 26, 2006, please  
amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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